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HARMONY REIGNS

In the Legislature Writes The Press Correspondent.

PERSONNEL OF THE BODY.

DEAR PRESS: I promised you something last week about the personnel of the legislature. There can be no doubt that the young man is fast taking his place in the front ranks of those who manage the affairs of state and nation. This is emphasized in this state by the fact that one-half of the present assembly is under forty and twenty-five under thirty. Nearly all occupations are represented, with farmers predominating, lawyers, teachers and doctors following, in the order named. Brother Woodson, of Webster, is the only minister in the body.

While Republicans are not so numerous as in previous sessions they probably rate higher in respectability and intellect. Lieut. Gov. Worthington is the most venerated of that party, and Col. Dave Colson, of Bell has the brain of a philosopher, and with his statesmanlike bearing is an honor to any assembly. Courteous and polite to all, he has the esteem of every one.

Mr. Jones, of Caldwell, is the only Republican member from the First district. He is a typical farmer and a gentleman.

Uncle John Naylor of Hickman is the oldest member from the Gibraltar. He is as just as Aristides and scorns the corruption of modern politics.

Capt W. C. Clark, of Paducah, embodies the guileless politician of forty years ago, blended with a giant intellect and wonderful persuasive powers in oratory, which makes him a valuable acquisition to our number.

Eugene Weatherford, of Graves who made such a creditable showing in the race for speaker, is a "third term," and is a member whose experience tells him what to do, and when to do it, which is a valuable combination for a law-maker to possess.

Henry R. Lawrence, of Trigg, is not as noisy as the cataract of Niagara, but a great mind, coupled with great experience in politics and public affairs make his counsel sought by those often many years his seniors.

Rainey T. Wells, of Calloway, is the Demosthenes of our delegation and will be our mouthpiece on the floor of the House. He is as courageous as the proverbial Kentucky Colonel, and the celebrated Swiss guards were never more alert and faithful to their trust. The good people of Calloway can not select him by a vote too unanimous.

John M. Moore, of Ballard, has been returned by his people to renew his labors in their behalf. He is untiring in his efforts to do good and frowns upon any attempt of the lobby to thwart the will of the people.

J. Beauregard Wyatt, of Lyon, furnishes the wit and humor for the boys. Besides his fitness as a worthy representative of the great common people, he has that buoyancy of spirit and fun provoking power that makes him a prince of entertainers.

In assignment of committees we fared much better than could be expected of a district that had a candidate of its own. The writer received more than he asked, being placed on his preferences: Education, Commerce, Mines and Mining, and two other minor committees.

The progress made thus far has been rapid, and peace and harmony have prevailed in the selection of candidates of both parties. It seems that the political millennium has arrived; members that scarce two years ago frowned upon each other across a broad chasm; vindictiveness reigned, arms clashed, and blood flowed. Today the old Kentucky home is basking in the sunlight of a reunited Democracy while the minority party seem to enjoy the occasion as much as we, feeling no doubt that the old ship of state is in safe hands once more.

The lobbyist has not "come up close" yet, but we learn that he is packing his grip preparatory to a visit to look into the Book bill, which we hope to report this week.

Appropriation bills aggregating nearly two million dollars have been introduced, but have not yet crystallized into law. nor does it seem that they will all have an easy sail, as a great many of the solons have expressed adverse verdicts, while many others are not talking much. This is especially so as to the appropriation for a new state capitol and the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

The Governor's reception was a brilliant affair, his staff being present in their gorgeous uniforms.

The trial of Jim Howard is dragging wearily on, the greatest of good feeling being manifested by the opposing counsel, the witnesses fraternize without a jar, and Judge Cantrill holds the balanced scales of justice without a tremor. Sincerely yours,

M. F. Pogue.

OUR NEW SENATOR.

A Brief Sketch of the Statesman's Life.

For forty years James B. McCreary has been prominent in Kentucky's history. He first came into notice in 1862, when he assisted in raising the Eleventh Kentucky cavalry regiment for service in the Confederate army. In this regiment he was subsequently made lieutenant colonel and this rank he held at the close of the war. He served with distinction in the army of the Tennessee under Gen. Morgan and Bragg and under Gen. Breckinridge in Virginia, and surrendered with his regiment at Appomattox. He entered politics in 1866, being chosen to represent Madison county in the Kentucky legislature, and again in '71 and '73 this honor was bestowed upon him. At the last two sessions he was speaker. In 1875 he was elected governor on the Democratic ticket. After retiring from the executive office he was elected to the Forty-ninth congress, and re-elected to the Fifty-first, Fifty-second, Fifty-third, and Fifty-fourth sessions. For twelve years he was a member of the committee on foreign affairs of the house. He was also a member of the committee on coinage and weights and measures, the World's fair and private land claims. Gov. McCreary was appointed by the President in 1892 one of the five commissioners to represent the United States in the international monetary conference. In that conference he distinguished himself as an advocate of bimetalism. It is interesting to know that at his first session in the state legislature his desk mate was Judge James E. Cantrill, whom he defeated for senator.

HIGH COMPLIMENT

Paid Supt. McChesney by Gov. Beckham.

When the Legislature met on Tuesday, Jan. 7, each member of the General Assembly found on his desk a neatly bound book containing something like five hundred pages. This was the biennial report of Harry V. McChesney, Superintendent of Public Instruction. Although the school law plainly provides that this report of the condition, progress and prospects of the common schools, "shall be made on or before the assembling of the General Assembly," this is the first time for a number of years that the report has been out on time.

The report made its appearance on time, notwithstanding the fact that former Superintendent Davidson had made no report at all for the two years ending June 30, 1899, and for this reason the work of getting out the biennial report just issued was almost doubled.

The report is carefully arranged and is accurate in all details. The statistical part of it is arranged in tables, so that comparison can be made by counties as well as by years.

Gov. Beckham, in his message to the Legislature pays Superintendent McChesney a high compliment and one that is well deserved. While the youngest by several years of the State officers, elected in 1899, he has made one of the strongest, safest and best men of the administration, and one of the very best, if not the very best, Superintendents of public instruction the State of Kentucky ever had.

Blackburn and Hardin Rich.

The News has it on most excellent authority that Senator J. C. S. Blackburn and Gen. P. Watt Hardin have both become quite rich. Those who remember the famous campaigns of 1895 and 1896, when these two men lead the speaking forces of the Democracy and were so poor that they could not give a dollar to the campaign fund, will be gratified to know that now they each have money to burn. Blackburn made his money in some wise investment with his son-in-law, Mr. Lane, and is said to have \$100,000 in cool cash. Hardin has made his in a gold mine in Georgia. He holds stock in the company which he got at a very low figure that is now worth par and to the value of \$100,000. The mine has been in successful operation, and the actual return in gold that has been sold from the same has run the stock up to par, and it is likely to go very much higher. The good fortune of those two old politicians will be rejoiced over by a large circle of friends in every county in Kentucky.—Elizabethtown News.

Died at Ninety-one.

Monticello, Ky., Jan. 18.—Edmund Cook, aged ninety-one years died suddenly here last night. He leaves the following children: Judge Wayne Cook, of Corydon, Ind.; Drs. A. S. and Wm. Cook, and Mrs. I. C. Ramsey of this city; Dr. L. B. Cook of Stanford; Leo Cook and Mrs. Rankin of Rowena. Mr. H. M. Cook, of Marion, was a nephew of the deceased.

Early Days In Kentucky

[Written for THE PRESS.]
An old soldier of the Southland,
Grizzled, gaunt and brown,
Bowed back, uncertain age,
Just come up to town.

Chockfull of stories of the long ago,
Of time, before creation,
And tells them, too, with as sober face,
As the President addressing the nation
This old Ananias is certainly sure
That in the early days,
He was here upon earth, the first of all,
And this is what he says:

"By gum, it war a curus sight
To see Adam appear
In the oakwoods; I war making ties;
Snakes, but I felt queer.

He was a nice looking fellow enuf,
Colored a little red,
Spry and pleasant, but for clothes
Not a single thread.

He ups and comes with outstretched hand
And says: "Howdy, old man,
Howe Flatlick and all the boys,
And have you got a can?"

Spicined he'd out the nigh afore,
Spresin' with the crowd.
But he looked so sort of innocent-like
I didn't say so loud.

But gentlemen you never will see
What I seed the very next day;
Pooley! well pooley aint the word,
Peaches and honey, I say.

Why, she come along that morning
Trippin' it thro' so gay
That even the birds they closed their
mouths

And eyed her all the way.

"I'm Eve," she said, and come right up.
As peart as a little maid.

"Have you seen Adam hereabout?"
('Twas wuss than a federal raid),

Dressed? Well, not edzactly
As our girls dress for tea;
An Apple-blossom in her hair
Was all that I could see.

I don't believe that story
About fig leaves and such;
We ain't no such fruit nohow,
And she didn't wear them much.

I know a heap about it,
'Cos I war thar,
And I knowed 'em both right smart
All thro' the war.

And this old Ananias
As he rose to leave,
Took his solemn oath
'Twas Adam and Eve.

The World's Centenarians.

It is not surprising that more people live to be more than a hundred years old in warm climates than in the higher latitudes. The German Empire, with 55,000,000 inhabitants, has 778 centenarians. France, with 40,000,000 population has 213. England has only 246, and Scotland 46. Sweden has 10, Norway 24, Belgium 5, Denmark 2, Spain 401 and Switzerland none. Serbia, with a population of 2,250,000 has 575 people over one hundred years old. It is claimed that the oldest living person, one Bruno Cotrim, living in Rio Jena-ro, is one hundred and fifty years old.—Health.

To the Public.

Office of the Crittenden County Board of Health, Marion, Ky., Jan. 20th, 1902—EDITOR PRESS: By the end of this week the county will be free from smallpox unless new cases develop. Three or four unvaccinated persons have been exposed, and we expect them to be attacked in a few days, but they are isolated and under observation.

We have had the hearty cooperation of nearly all the citizens and kind and patient obedience by those afflicted, for all of which we are very thankful. We are especially thankful to Mr. Geo Beard and family for their patient obedience to the rules of the Board during their fifty days isolation and to the business men and teachers of the town for their kind assistance and cooperation. There is now no danger to the people in coming to town.

By order of Board.

W. J. J. Paris,
Health Officer.

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Women and Jewels.

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